

GRAUSTARK

incorporating HURITANIA and FREDONIA

#88

1965L, 1965NT, 1965Q

17 April 1966

1965L

In "Winter 1906" the following builds of new units were made:

FRANCE: F Brest.

GERMANY: A Munich, F Kiel.

RUSSIA: A Moscow, F St. Petersburg (north coast)

These moves were received by 6 April, and the four surviving players were informed of the builds. A deadline of 20 April was set for "Spring 1907" moves. On that date, the "Spring 1907" moves will be sent out by air mail to the players, and a deadline for "Fall 1907" moves will be set. The "Spring 1907" moves of 1965L will be published in GRAUSTARK #89, which is due on 1 May 1966.

1965Q

In "Winter 1904" the following builds or removals were made:

ENGLAND: Removes F Barents Sea.

GERMANY: Builds A Munich.

ITALY: Removes F Mid.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Builds A Vienna.

TURKEY: Builds F Constantinople.

The deadline for "Spring 1905" moves is SATURDAY 30 APRIL 1966.

1965NT

No one has offered to take up this game where it was left by the resignation, two weeks ago, of the Lafayette Tactics Alliance. The winners, therefore, are John Koning and Kim and Ovilla Pattee, playing respectively Germany, Italy, and England.

There seems to be little interest in Team Diplomacy, and both games thus far attempted have bogged down when interest lapsed in one of the teams. No further games will therefore be arranged by the Gamesmaster.

A resume of 1965NT will be published in the next issue of GRAUSTARK.

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5 different back issues of DAGON will be sent to anyone who sends a stamped, self-addressed legal-size envelope.

NEW POSTAL DIPLOMACY GAME TO BEGIN

In response to numerous requests the publisher of GRAUSTARK is opening a new postal Diplomacy game. The entry fee will be \$3.00, and the first seven people to send in their fees will be enrolled. If an eighth entry is received, that person will be an alternate unless he specifically states otherwise.

All players, and the alternate if one enters, will receive GRAUSTARK by air mail if any saving of time is thereby accomplished. The alternate will be asked to submit moves if any player fails to do so. If any player misses two consecutive moves, the alternate will take over his country.

The entry fee has been raised to \$3.00 as a result of the Gamesmaster's experience that a postal Diplomacy game is likely to last into "1911" or "1912" at least. The cost of sten- cils has also risen lately.

The players in this game will have countries assigned to them by lot. These assignments will be published in GRAUSTARK as soon as seven paid entries are received, and play will then begin.

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KNOWABLE, whose 10th issue
is now out. (25¢, or 5 issues for \$1.)

ROSTER ADDITIONS

1965K: Eutiquio Jose Revillagigedo has resumed the play of Germany in this game. Henceforth, temporary replacements for postal Diplomacy players will not be listed in this roster. Charles Reinsel and Jerald Jacks have also had to obtain temporary substitutes in their postal games.

1965T: G - Pat McDonnell (out F05)
A - Jerald Jacks (out F05)

1965W: R - Jerald Jacks (out F03)

1966A: A - Al Scott (out F02)

1966G: A - Larry Reinstein (out F05)

1966L - Charles Reinsel, Big Brother
E - Ron Bounds
F - Charles Brannan
G - John Koning
I - John McCallum
A - Jack Chalker
R - Conrad von Metzke
T - Charles Wells

1966M - Monroe Jeffrey, T. S.
E - James J. Dygert
F - Arthur J. Canfil
G - Jerald Jacks
I - Roland Tzudiker
A - Charles Reinsel
R - Jack Chalker
T - Charles Brannan

T. S. is the postal Diplomacy bulletin formerly announced as Fidgely. Subscriptions are 10 issues for \$1 from Jeffrey at 583-B Moss St., Chula Vista, Calif. 92010. The first postal Diplomacy bulletin in Spanish, I Caramba, will shortly be published by Eutiquio Jose Revillagigedo, c/o Conrad von Metzke, P. O. Box 192, Jamul, Calif. 92035. I Caramba is also 10 issues for \$1.

THE-DIPLOMATIC POUCH

JOHN A. McCALLUM, "A" Quarters, S. E. S., Ralston, Alberta: It seems to me that a stand-by should never be asked to play a position that is utterly hopeless. A power with fewer than 3 pieces on the board I regard as unviable, and I don't think a stand-by should be expected to take over such a position; the power concerned should just be allowed to die a natural death.

...Your theory ((in GRAUSTARK #85)) that the reason for the better press releases in the early Ruritania was that so many of the players knew one another is interesting. No doubt it is partly true. A nucleus of 2 or 3 who are used to kidding around, so to speak, might start off a good round of press releases which might spread to the remaining players. I can't feel it is the whole story though. Consider the fact that nearly all the players in Parad-Dur, in Orthanc, and in Diplomania come from the same metropolitan area. Almost all of them are members of the Washington Science-Fiction Association, and presumably know each other...Would you say that the press releases in those journals sparkle more than those in Graustark, in Costaguana, or in Stab? Au contraire, n'est-ce pas? There was something else, other than propinquity, in the early Rur which touched off the spark there.

((I believe that the Gamesmasters of the WSFA games limit the length of press releases rather severely.))

...Do you think that there is any chance of Calhamer's revising the Rulebook, either with or without the assistance of a committee? I think a revision is badly needed and is the only thing which will halt these wild variations which are cropping up all over the place.

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On pp. 6-7 of GRAUSTARK #87 those postal Diplomacy bulletins whose Gamesmasters are accepting new players are marked with an asterisk. This mark should also go to GRAUSTARK and Orthanc.